

**Town of Barnstable** 

Land Acquisition and Preservation Committee



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Minutes

Monday November 14, 2016 5:30 PM

Selectman's Conference Room – 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA JOINT MEETING WITH RECREATION COMMISSION

Ann Canedy - Chair	Present
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Farley Lewis – Vice Chair	Present
Phyllis Miller	Present
Kris Clark	Present
Steve Gould	Present
Thomas Mullen	Absent
Tom Lee	Present
Elissa Crowley	Present
Anne Rowland	Present

Also present were Kevin Turner – Chair of the Recreation Commission, Richard Sawyer – Recreation Commission member and Recreation Commission liaison to Community Preservation Committee (CPC), Patti Machado – Leisure Services Director, Lynne Poyant – Director of Community Services, Joe O'Brien – Recreation Commission member, Jessica Rapp Grassetti – President of Town Council and LAPC liaison, JoAnne Buntich – Director of Growth Management, Janet Crystal, and Carol Puckett – Administrative Assistant.

# Call to Order/Introduction of Land Acquisition and Preservation Committee Members by Ann Canedy

Ann Canedy calls the meeting to order.

### Call to Order/Introduction of Recreation Commission Members by Kevin Turner

Ann Canedy reads the following with no response:

#### Notice of Recording

Please note that this meeting is recorded and broadcast on Channel 18 an in accordance with MGL Chapter 30A §20. I must inquire whether anyone is taping this meeting and to please make their presence known.

Ann Canedy introduces JoAnne Buntich:

#### **Guest Speaker**

JoAnne Buntich – Growth Management Director to discuss Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP)

Growth Management Department Jo Anne Miller Buntich – Director 200 Main Street, Hyannis, MA 02601 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA 02601 Phone: 508-862-4785 Fax: 508-862-4784 Discussion of strategy going forward; Creation of a planning subcommittee
JoAnne Buntich hands out an Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP) summary sheet (Exhibit A).

JoAnne states that the OSRP is a plan which is part of the town's overall comprehensive plan. The OSRP gets submitted to the state for approval because it keeps the Town of Barnstable eligible for certain grants such as Massachusetts Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) Program and Massachusetts Local Acquisitions for Natural Diversity (LAND) Program.

JoAnne states that what was decided for the plan this time around was to get the Recreation Commission more involved in the review of the plan. She explains the updated summary sheet (Exhibit A) and the required elements sheet obtained from Melissa Cryan from the Massachusetts Division of Conservation Services (DCS). This, she explains, is used as a scoping mechanism and that a project schedule has also been developed (Exhibit B). She will also talk to other groups not shown on Exhibit B as suggested.

Richard Sawyer asks about staffing for this project. JoAnne states that there are plans to retain a consultant. JoAnne is asked and clarifies that the deadline will be October 2017 for the OSRP.

Ann Canedy asks when the public survey is scheduled to go out. JoAnne states that the survey is in its final draft and would like to utilize Survey Monkey from February through July and explains that this survey is similar to the one used for the Hyannis Parking project. Ann asks how duplicate responses would be handled through the website survey application. JoAnne believes that the application site would control it. JoAnne hands out the survey and explains it (Exhibit C). She states that it will be discussed whenever LAPC would like to give input. Ann would like to capture the fact if respondents are full time or summer residents. Ann explains that she wants to know what the year round versus the summer residents would prefer. JoAnne clarifies it could be either property owner/summer resident, visitor. She also adds that they would like the option of the survey having a map feature similar to parks or ways to water maps.

Richard Sawyer asks how the response was to the survey in previous years. JoAnne explains that the last survey was done in 2010 and kept at a minimum. However, she would like more emphasis done on this survey. The members discuss. JoAnne suggests that the members send their suggestions to her and will copy LAPC staff and the Recreation Commission.

Ann Canedy notes that she will put the survey follow-up on future agendas for discussion.

Ms. Buntich states that people would like more interactive maps online. She found some websites that had maps (Exhibit D). They discuss interactive maps and perhaps a mobile app.

Ann Canedy suggests a subcommittee which would be comprised of multiple members from LAPC and Recreation Commission. She also suggests that perhaps the Conservation Commission could have representatives on the subcommittee also. JoAnne concludes her presentation and the Recreation Commission adjourns.

# **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from LAPC meeting of October 3, 2016 Motion to accept the minutes as submitted is made by Phyllis Miller and seconded by Farley Lewis Vote:

All in favor

### Updates

### • Santuit Preserve: Phyllis Miller

Phyllis Miller states that the trails are in good shape, a new bridge was completed over the culvert next to the pump house and the pump house has not yet been taken down. Phyllis states that she and Steve Gould led their walk through

the Santuit Preserve during the recent walking weekend and that she also led another walk on the following weekend for six (6) other people.

She also spoke to Drew McManus – Conservation Agent from the Town of Mashpee, who was most appreciative of the clean-up efforts of the Town of Barnstable DPW crew.

Ann states that she has composed a thank you letter to be sent to Dan Santos – DPW Director as well as to Mark Ells – Town Manager, Town of Barnstable for their support on the clean-up project. Phyllis also reports that because of the clean-up effort that the fire road can now be seen.

Ann Canedy reports that she has received a reply from David Anthony – Director of Procurement & Risk Management regarding the status of the Santuit Preserve Management Plan which she reads (Exhibit A). In his email, Mr. Anthony replies that he could not make the meeting tonight because of a schedule conflict. However, his email in part states that a meeting with a representative from Mashpee (perhaps Drew McManus), himself, and someone from the State, and Phyllis Miller could possibly meet in January to identify three objectives:

1. "Determine the written studies and resources that exist including previous reports, geological surveys, acquisition information, and a list of projects and maintenance done by both towns since the purchase of the property.

2. Identify a sample management plan format that would meet with the Commonwealth's approval (We have collected several samples to consider from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts)

3. Identify a consultant to assist this group with the actual preparation of a DRAFT PLAN that would be circulated to all of the identified stakeholders in Mashpee and Barnstable as well as the State for feedback, critique and the identification of any area of deficiency."

### • Pathways-Farley Lewis

Farley Lewis recognizes Janet Crystal in the audience who Farley met on her fall walk and invited here tonight. She states that Ms. Crystal had shown interest in the group and their objectives. Farley goes on to review the fall walking weekend. The walk she led had approximately ten (10) people, the weather was great and that the participants were very interested in the walk information.

Kris Clark reports that the Sandy Neck walk scheduled for the weekend had to be slightly rerouted because of the wind. Kris had a small group and reports that she has not heard from Gil Newton who led one of the other walks. Kris Clark notes that there was a nice feature story in the Barnstable Patriot regarding the Hathaway's Pond trail walk led by naturalist Mary Richmond.

Elissa Crowley states that she arranged an exhibit in the display case at the Sturgis Library in Barnstable and received great feedback and a suggestion for a trail map brochure.

Farley notes that some of the markers on the trails are painted on, which is standard. However, there might be a better way of monitoring the markers and will put something together regarding marking trails.

# • Community Preservation Committee (CPC): Tom Lee

Tom Lee reports that the last meeting of CPC was short. However, they addressed:

Letter of Intent from Growth Management Department Housing Coordinator requesting \$75,000 in Community Housing funds to provide additional CPA funding for the existing Preservation of Housing project. They also received an application from the Barnstable/West Barnstable (BWB) Playground Committee requesting \$250,000 in Open Space and Recreation funds for the playground replacement project. However, CPC has continued this to the next meeting in order to get more information for the cost estimates.

### Town Council Liaison: Councilor Jessica Rapp Grassetti

Jessica states that there will be an update on the prescribed burn at Crocker Neck property this Friday. They completed the first section but will be looking at doing the second section and will know the outcome by Wednesday. Once they know, an announcement will be sent out. If they cannot do the second one soon, the next opportunity would be the last weekend of this year. Ann clarifies that this is the only controlled burn in the Town of Barnstable.

As for Breed's Hill, Jessica reports that Town Council finally acted on the land swap items which included 0 Nye Road. She states that this is not a done deal but once a Memorandum of Agreement is put together, Town Manager Ells has the Town Council's authority to approve the land swap. Ann Canedy states that should this not occur that Breeds Hill property be preserved anyway, one way or another. Jessica will take that to heart and will relay to the Asset Management Advisory Committee (AMAC). Ann Canedy states that there a number of properties of interest to this committee because of water preservation concerns and asks if this committee should be giving input to the Asset Management Advisory Committee. Jessica explains that AMAC is charged with looking at properties in the Town of Barnstable's name. Therefore, if LAPC has a list of town owned properties of interest, they should submit it to AMAC. Ann will put that on the next agenda to discuss.

Ann again asks for members to consider being on the OSRP subcommittee.

### **Public Comment**

Janet Crystal is very interested in getting involved in this committee and in the work that this group does. Ann thanks her for her interest and will be gathering information for her.

#### **Adjournment**

Motion is made by Phyllis Miller and seconded by Tom Lee to adjourn Vote: All in favor